

A Hand Up, Inc. TM
"Helping People Help Themselves" TM

Seek us out of desperate need
And demonstrate a willingness to rise.
Speak openly and honestly,
Come in good faith, trust, set aside disguise.

Work with us, as we work for you,
That we might help you find a better way.
To help yourself erase the things,
That brought you through our open door today.

We welcome you, but we're not here,
To drop a dime or dollar in a cup.
Though, we *will* add our strength to yours,
And show you to a steady course...A Hand Up.
---Dave Bordner - Peoples Energy

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to meet them



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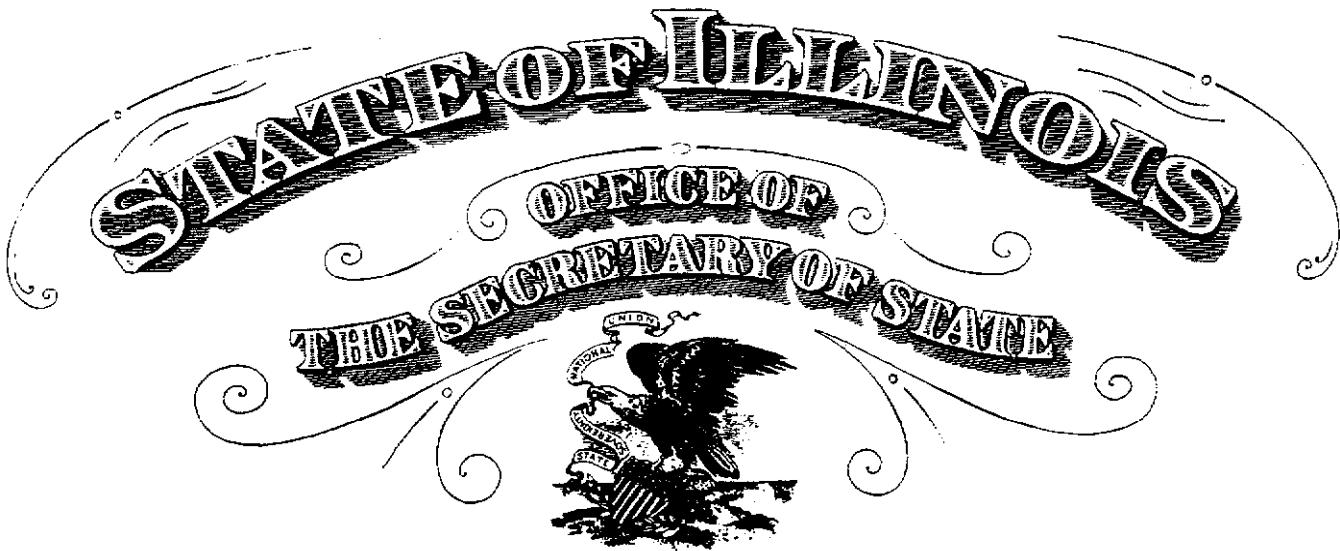


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Mission Statement

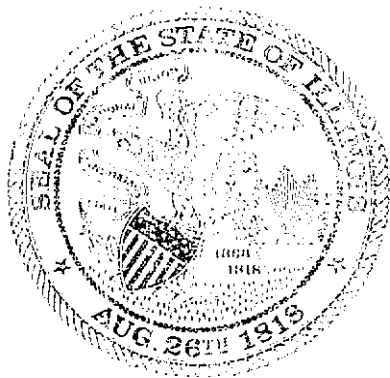
To Inspire and enable people to improve their lives and the world around them through collaboration with communities, faith-based communities, government, and social service agencies, by offering avenues of assistance that promote dignity and self-sufficiency for a life changing experience.



To all to whom these Presents Shall Come, Greeting:

I, Jesse White, Secretary of State of the State of Illinois, do hereby certify that

A HAND UP, INC., A DOMESTIC CORPORATION, INCORPORATED UNDER THE LAWS OF THIS STATE MARCH 28, 1997, APPEARS TO HAVE COMPLIED WITH ALL THE PROVISIONS OF THE GENERAL NOT FOR PROFIT CORPORATION ACT OF THIS STATE, AND AS OF THIS DATE, IS A DOMESTIC CORPORATION IN GOOD STANDING IN THE STATE OF ILLINOIS*****



In Testimony Whereof, I, hereto set my hand and cause to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Illinois, this 14TH *day of* DECEMBER *A.D.* 2000.

Jesse White

SECRETARY OF STATE

**“Down in their hearts,
wise men know this truth;
the only way to help yourself is to**

help others.”

--Elbert Hubbard

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